90 degrees via the door support member and it allows access to an interior storage chamber defined by the assembly, and 2 provides a platform outside the structure, said door is supported via a support member which collapses within the chamber while in the closed position and supports the door and a person while in the fully open and essentially horizontal position, said support member is attached at the first end to said enclosure, said support member is attached at the second end to said door through spaced apart apertures and secured with the strap retaining rod; and

(b) a collapsible flexible ladder having a first end attached to the door through spaced apart apertures and fixed to the strap retaining rod.

Please amend claim 2 as follows:

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2. (Amended) An assembly as recited in claim 1, wherein the hinged door has an interior surface and an exterior surface, and the exterior surface of the door can be adapted by covering with a material matching the exterior wall of the structure.

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In the claims:

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- 1. (Amended) An assembly, comprising:
- (a) an apparatus, comprising;
 - (i) a frame mounted within an exterior wall of structure below an escape opening such as a window; and
 - (ii) a hinged door pivotally attached to the frame, wherein the door pivots away from the wall from a closed position wherein the door when fully open is essentially horizontal. When in the open position or in use position the movement is restricted to no greater than 90 degrees via the door support member and it allows access to an interior storage chamber defined by the assembly, and 2 provides a step platform outside the structure, said door is supported via a support member which collapses within the chamber while in the closed position and supports the door and a person while in the fully open and essentially horizon all position, said support member is attached at the first end to said enclosure, said support member is attached at the second end to said door through spaced apart apertures and secured with the strap retaining rod; and
- (b) a collapsible <u>flexible</u> ladder having a first end attached to the door through spaced apart apertures.
- 2. An assembly as recited in paragraph claim 1, wherein the hinged door has an interior surface and an exterior surface, and the exterior surface of the door can be adapted by covering with a material matching the exterior wall of the structure.